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Kelley, John J. 79

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April 6, 1979

NAME John J. Kelley
ADDRESS 2117 Bredell Avenue
CITY Hazelwood (St. Louis County) Missouri 63043
DATE OF BIRTH November, 1944
APPROXIMATE AGE 34
RELIGION Catholic American
OCCUPATION Clerk, Killark Electric Manufacturing Company
EDUCATION Unknown
HEIGHT 180 5' 10" White
HAIR Dark Brown (receding) (wears glasses)
OUTSTANDING FEATURES Wearing of army uniform parts from past service
MARRITAL STATUS Single
MILITARY SERVICE Troop 337 Richmond Hts. MO SA 5-17-78
SPECIAL RECOMMENDATION Homosexual activity
SUSPENDED OR REVOKED LICENSE Homosexual activity
SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH ARE THE BASIS FOR THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE IN THIS CASE:
Homosexual activity

See attached signed statement

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[Signature]
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October 17, 1979

Mr. Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive
St. Louis Area Council, No. 312

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: John J. Kelley

Dear Russ:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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May 15, 1979

Mr. Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive
St. Louis Area Council, No. 312

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Russ:

This is in reply to the correspondence we have had concerning John J. Kelley. You have asked that this individual be placed on our confidential file and that registration be refused. In order to do this, I would like just a little bit more information.

We thank you for the confidential record sheet which lists all of Mr. Kelley's personal information which will help us to identify him if he should try to register somewhere else. We would, however, like to know whether any other youth members were involved in any activities with Mr. Kelley. If this information is available to you, it would be most helpful.

We also assume that, when Mr. Kelley was given the letter from you related to his registration, he did not protest this action. It would be helpful to have that knowledge in our file also.

It is not stated but we imagine that no charges are going to be pressed by the [REDACTED] family. If any charges and arrests are made, this information also would be most helpful.

If you could summarize your answers related to the above questions for me, this would help to make our case stronger and to insure that registration for Mr. Kelley would not be accepted in the future.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription and
Statistical Service

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April 2, 1979

Mr. John Kelley
2117 Bredell Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63143

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Because of information made available to us from sources we feel to be reliable, your commission to serve as an adult leader in the Boy Scouts of America is hereby cancelled. Registration in the Boy Scouts of America is a privilege and the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, no longer wishes to grant that privilege to you. You are hereby directed to withdraw from all Boy Scout activities and any further involvement of any kind with the Boy Scouts of America.

We are sure you realize that this decision is made in your best interest as well as the best interest of the Boy Scouts of America.

St. Louis Area Council,
Boy Scouts of America

Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive

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STATEMENT OF SCOUT [REDACTED]

On Friday evening, March 23, 1979, Messrs. Hart, Loewenstein and Russell met with Mr. [REDACTED] and his son [REDACTED] at their home, [REDACTED]. The purpose of the meeting was to take a statement from [REDACTED] and from his father concerning homosexual activity occurring on three separate camping trips of Scout Troop 337. The following are statements by [REDACTED] a 14 year old member of Scout Troop 337.

Incident #1

This overnight camping trip occurred during February, 1978. The troop was camped in a house owned by Mr. John Kelley on Mr. Kelley's property. Mr. Kelley is an Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 337. There are three beds in the house. There were three persons sleeping in one of the beds, Scout [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and Mr. John Kelley. Mr. Kelley made overt sexual advances to Scout [REDACTED]. He touched the genitals of Scout [REDACTED] early in the night. Scout [REDACTED] got up, left the room, went into the bathroom, came back several minutes later, went into the living room of the house, got into his sleeping bag and went to sleep. Other adults on the trip were Mr. Dale Kuethe, who is the Scoutmaster and Mr. William Wells, another Assistant Scoutmaster of the troop.

Incident #2

The troop had a tent campout at St. Francois State Park in April, 1978. Scout [REDACTED] was in the leaders tent with Scout Glennon Wells and several other boys. After the boys had gone to sleep, Mr. Kelley came into the tent. Scout [REDACTED] states that Mr. Kelley put his sleeping bag next to his [REDACTED].

(NOTE: Although Scout [REDACTED] was asleep when Mr. Kelley came into the tent, he makes this statement in view of the fact that when he awoke he saw Mr. Kelley's sleeping bag next to his.)

Scout [REDACTED] had worn his t-shirt and underwear shorts to bed. He awakened in the middle of the night and found his sleeping bag unzipped and his underwear shorts down. At this point Scout [REDACTED] states that Mr. Kelley attempted to insert his penis in Scout [REDACTED] anus. Scout [REDACTED] said nothing but coughed. Mr. Kelley stopped immediately and attempted to pull Scout [REDACTED] underwear back up. He also zipped up Scout [REDACTED] sleeping bag. Scout [REDACTED] then unzipped his bag, got out of the bag, put on his clothes and shoes and started to leave the tent. Mr. Kelley asked "where was Scout [REDACTED] going?" Scout [REDACTED] replied "to the bathroom." The Scout left the tent and sat by the campfire the rest of the night until the sun came up. Two other Scouts, Glennon Wells and Matt Bahre woke up and came out of the tent in the morning. There was no conversation between any of the boys as to

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Statement of Scout [REDACTED]
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any occurrence that night. The other adult on the camping trip was Mr. Kuethe, the Scoutmaster.

Incident #3

This incident occurred on the campout on Mr. Kelley's property (same as Incident #1) at Cuba, Missouri, on February 16, 17, 18, 1979. Scout [REDACTED] was sleeping on the floor in the living room with five other Scouts in sleeping bags. All of the Scouts were asleep except Scout [REDACTED]. He was about to doze off and realized that Mr. Kelley had laid down beside him. Scout [REDACTED] said that he smelled alcohol on Mr. Kelley's breath. Although he was about to fall asleep, Scout [REDACTED] was fully aware of what was happening but was afraid to do anything about it. Mr. Kelly pulled down the zipper on Scout [REDACTED]'s sleeping bag and pulled his underwear shorts down. He then put his mouth on Scout [REDACTED]'s penis and around the genital area. He manually masturbated Scout [REDACTED] again put his mouth on Scout [REDACTED]'s penis and continued this until Scout [REDACTED] had a climax. Mr. Kelley then rezippered Scout [REDACTED]'s sleeping bag and left the room. After Mr. Kelley left, Scout [REDACTED] put on his trousers, got back in his sleeping bag and went to sleep. At the time of the incident the room was semi-lighted. Mr. Kelley was fully clothed at all times. This incident occurred on the second night of the camping trip, (February 17). Other adults present on the trip were Mr. Kuethe, the Scoutmaster, Mr. [REDACTED], a member of the committee, Mr. Roy Jerden, a member of the committee, Mr. Bill Wells, another Assistant Scoutmaster of the troop.

[REDACTED] attempted to discuss the matter of Mr. Kelley's fondling of him with the troop's Senior Patrol Leader, Dan Lally, sometime between the first and second incident. The Senior Patrol Leader did not want to discuss the matter with Scout [REDACTED]. Scout [REDACTED] discussed the matter with Scout Glennon Wells at a troop meeting on March 22nd. The discussion was only one or two sentences.

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I hereby state that I have read the attached statements made by my son, [REDACTED] and find them to be accurate in detail to those which he has told me and which he made to Messrs. Hart, Loewenstein, and Russell on the evening of March 23, 1979 at our home.

(Signed) [REDACTED]